

Claims

What is claimed is:

1. A combination flexible planar item and character,  
comprising:

a flexible planar item, that when manipulated, takes on  
the appearance of a character, said character  
comprising said planar item arranged to form a  
character body, said body having an exterior  
surface and having at least one character feature  
generally present on said exterior surface.

2. A combination flexible planar item and character  
according to Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item is  
manipulated by folding.

3. A combination flexible planar item and character  
according to Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item is  
manipulated by rolling.

4. A combination flexible planar item and character  
according to Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item is  
manipulated by folding and rolling.

5. A combination flexible planar item and character  
according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character

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6. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is an appendage.

7. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is an article of clothing.

8. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is placed onto said flexible planar item by adhesive means.

9. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is placed onto said flexible planar item by a bonding means.

10. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is affixed onto said flexible planar item by sewing.

11. A combination flexible planar item and character

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according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is affixed onto said flexible planar item by a snap.

12. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is affixed onto said flexible planar item by hook and loop fasteners.

13. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is affixed onto said flexible planar item by rivets.

14. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item is a generally rectangular shape.

15. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item has a plurality of edges and wherein at least one edge is fringed.

16. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein the shape of said character body is maintained by a belt placed around said body to encircle said body.

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rolled, beginning at said short edge distal to said corner until the entire flexible planar item is rolled, forming a generally cylindrical character body having said character feature generally oriented upon the exterior of said character body.

21. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said character feature is embroidered onto said flexible planar item.

22. A combination flexible planar item and character, comprising:

a flexible planar item having at least one character feature present thereon, said flexible planar item being folded and rolled to form a generally cylindrical character body having said character feature oriented generally upon the exterior of said character body.

23. A method of creating a combination character from a flexible planar item, the steps comprising:

providing a flexible planar item having first and second surfaces, and at least first, second, and third edges, and at least one character feature

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placed on said first surface; and

manipulating said flexible planar item forming a  
character body having said character feature  
oriented upon the exterior of said character body.

24. The method according to Claim 23, wherein the step of  
manipulating is provided by folding said planar item to form  
a character body.

25. The method according to Claim 23, wherein the step of  
manipulating is provided by rolling said planar item to form  
a character body.

26. The method according to Claim 23, wherein the step of  
manipulating is provided by folding and rolling said planar  
item to form a character body.

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